

**MEDICAID WHILE WORKING – SECTION 1619(b)  
PROVIDER INFORMATION FACT SHEET**

AGENCY/ORGANIZATION	RESPONSIBLE FOR:
<b>Social Security Administration</b>	SSA is the agency responsible for the determination of 1619(b) eligibility. Claims Representatives (CRs) ask the Medicaid use questions and input the 1719B SI field to annotate whether the Medicaid use test is met. CRs enter the effective or beginning date for 1619(b) eligibility. This posts the 1619(b) data to the Supplemental Security Record file. SSA sends Virginia the State Data Exchange (SDX) tape and provides access to the State Verification System (SVES) file.
<b>State Department of Social Services</b>	State DSS provides access to the SDX and SVES for all local DSS agencies.
<b>Local Department of Social Services</b>	Determines whether a 1619(b) recipient continues to be eligible for Medicaid. Local DSS offices may receive a 1619(b) referral from case workers or the 1619(b) recipient. Eligibility workers send a SVES request to SSA to verify 1619(b) status. The eligibility workers look for a code of A, B, or F in the field “Medicaid Test Indicator” on the State Verification Exchange System (SVES). If there is a code of A, B, or F, the individual has 1619(b) status. The “Current Pay Status Effective Date” field on the SVES screen shows the first month of the 1619(b) status. The eligibility worker determines if the 1619(b) recipient is eligible for the Medicaid 1619(b) protected group. The eligibility worker follows the procedures outlined in the Medicaid Eligibility Manual, (§ M0320.105, Volume XIII).
<b>Vocational Rehabilitation case workers, Community Service Board case managers, Employment Development Specialists.</b>	Assists recipients in obtaining 1619(b) eligibility from SSA and Medicaid eligibility as a protected 1619(b) status from DSS. Sends referral letter to local SSA office when they identify a SSI recipient potentially eligible for 1619(b). Sends referral letter to local DSS office after SSA has confirmed 1619(b) eligibility.
<b>Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy</b>	Provides information and referral, technical assistance, advocacy and /or legal representation to consumers who are having difficulty accessing or have been inappropriately denied 1619(b) benefits. Provides information and technical assistance to providers, case managers, advocates, etc. seeking to assist consumers in obtaining 1619(b) benefits. Call or write: <div style="text-align: right;"> Virginia Office for Protection and Advocacy  1910 Byrd Avenue, Suite 5  Richmond , VA 23230  1-800-552-3962  Email: <a href="mailto:general.vopa@vopa.virginia.gov">general.vopa@vopa.virginia.gov</a>  Web Address: <a href="http://www.vopa.state.va.us">www.vopa.state.va.us</a> </div>

